

Justification for AE Selection
Honors Housing at Legacy Bridge

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6/2/10

Date: June 2, 2010

Manager: Rick James, Project Manager

Project: Honors Housing at Legacy Bridge
DFCM Project 09217750


Re: Selection of the 3 Firms to proceed to Stage II

Recommendation:

Please approve the selection of the following three firms to proceed to Stage II:
Gramoll Construction, Layton Construction, and Okland Construction.

Justification: This selection is justified because of the following reasons:

- a) Interviews: Nine SOQ's were submitted and determined to be responsible and responsive. All Nine Firms were invited to interview. Walbridge elected to not participate in the interviews due to unavoidable conflicts of members of the project team. The Interviews of the remaining 8 firms were held on June 1, 2010 beginning at 8:30 AM.
- b) The selection committee consisted of the following members:
 - a. DFCM Darrell Hunting, Project Manager
 - b. U of U Michael Perez, Director University Facilities
 - c. Citizen-at-Large: John Sparano, AIA
- c) The committee did evaluate score and rank all of the SOQ's according to the criteria included in the RFP.
 - a. Cost was not a category of selection criteria.
 - b. DFCM Past Performance Rating: The ratings were provided by DFCM and are the ratings currently on file for the nine firms.
 - c. Strength of Team: Ranking included consideration of experience of individual team members in university housing and specifically honors student housing design. The clarity of team organization and leadership was discussed extensively. The selection of consultants which meet the demands of this project was discussed.
 - d. Project Management Approach: The selected firms touched on vital aspects of management with illustrations of how each task would be performed. The firms that ranked highest clearly indicated how the project would be designed, and constructed in sequence including key issues in all major categories.
 - i. The management and coordination of work between national firms and local firms was discussed with the applicable teams.
 - ii. Program verification was important during the discussions.
 - iii. Highest rank firms stressed the importance of building envelope design and commissioning.

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- c. Relevant Project Experience: Selected teams had at least some relevant project experience in university housing and in honors student housing. Highest ranked firms had significant experience in this project type. Also the ability to do cost estimating and cost control was highly ranked.